

REMARKS

Rejected claims 12-15 and 17 have been canceled in order to expedite the issuance of the allowed claims. Applicant does not acquiesce to the Office's rejection of these canceled claims, which may be pursued in a continuing application.

After entry of these amendments, allowed claims 24, 26-28, 30-31 and 33-54 will be pending. Should Examiner Sotelo have any questions, comments, or suggestions relating to this application, he is invited to contact Applicant's attorney at (512) 536-3031.

Respectfully submitted,



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